GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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DELAY OF FLIGHTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government took a strong view of the delay of Air India and Indian Airlines flights during November-December 2007 due to various reasons;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of steps taken/being taken to avoid such situation in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION(SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): Following a review by the Ministry, the airline has rationalised flights and crew allocation and is closely monitoring and taking corrective action on a daily basis. A Punctuality Coordination Cell has been functioning round the clock at Mumbai airport and a Corporate Level Control Room has also been set up at Delhi, which will be integrated with the Hub Control set up, so as to coordinate with various flight handling departments with a view to ensuring punctuality of flights.